

## **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

World Day for CANSECRATED LIFE.

This Sunday we have a special celebration: The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem (according to the Law of Moses) to be presented to the Lord, God the Father. Today we also bless the candles, remembering that Jesus is “the light of the people of Israel and of the World”.

Today we also celebrated the World Day for Consecrated Life. So let us consider the importance of “Consecrated Life” in the church today.

Consecrated Life is like a candle which is maintained lit in the darkness of this world. Imagine if the values of poverty, chastity and obedience would be erased from this world; it would become like hell! Imagine if there would be no control on exploiting everything and everybody for money! We would steal and kill each other. Imagine if there was no value of chastity in the world today! It would become a filthy dunghill and people would become worse than animals. Imagine if there would be no obedience in the world! There would be anarchy, no rules, no peace. Everybody would do whatever one wishes to do!

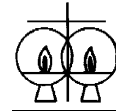
So Consecrated life is a candle in the darkness of this world; and thanks to a small number of men and women who sacrifice their life, like a candle burning itself to give light to all around it.

But one can consecrate him/herself even outside the convent or monastery. In order to consecrate oneself to God, one does not have to abandon everything and be locked up in seclusion. Actually, many people consecrate themselves in the middle of their active life. You can transform your apartment in a monastic cell; you can follow a monastic schedule of prayer and you can offer every morning your life to God as a sacrifice from your own house or apartment, or from your church.

Consecration is an act of total love, when you offer to God all you are and all you have. And this consecration has the same value of the consecrated life of religious and missionaries. Your heart, your life can remain in union with the Lord, even in the middle of hectic life and work.

It would be of great help if small groups of people (even in a family) would consecrate themselves and form little communities of consecrated people, in order to support each other and to form little spiritual monasteries around our neighborhoods. What a blessing!

But today we pray especially for those men and women who have the courage to leave everything and consecrate their life as burning candles for the light of the world.



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020**

8:00am + Mario Giacobbo

6:00pm + Jose Medeiros, John Sr., John Jr. & Jose Antonio De Freitas

### **Sunday, Feb. 2 Presentation of the Lord**

8:30am + Maria Vu Thi Yen

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm + Magdalena, Florencio & Margaret

Brillantes

4:00pm + Domenico & Michele Lombardi

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

### **Monday, Feb. 3 Sts. Blaise & Ansgar**

8:00am + Giuseppe Cogo

7:00pm Thanksgiving from Nasato Family

### **Tuesday, Feb. 4**

8:00am + Oswald & Marguerite Lobo

6:30pm (*Novena in honor of St. Anthony*)

7:00pm Thanksgiving for 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Jean & Wilbur D'Souza

### **Wednesday, Feb. 5 St. Agatha**

8:00am + Mercedes Martinez

6:30pm (*Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*)

7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

### **Thursday, Feb. 6 St. Paul Miki & Companions**

8:00am + Lino Gazzola

7:00pm + Mr. & Mrs. Josephmary

8:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES

### **Friday, Feb. 7**

8:00am For our parishioners

7:00pm Willie G. Fermin Sr. & deceased members of Rimbao & Fermin Families

### **Saturday, Feb. 8 Sts. Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita**

8:00am + Lawrence Cardoza, Tony Rebello &

Annie Pereira

6:00pm + Albert, Mary, Russell, Clyde, Gregory, Jemma & David Wong

### **Sunday, Feb. 9 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am + Deceased of Eduardo & Laura Travassos

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm + Jose & Larry Feijo

4:00pm + Flory & Clarence Fernandes

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

**TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2019** can be picked up before or after the Masses today at the main entrance or at the office on weekdays during office hours. Thank you for your generosity throughout the year.

### ITALIANO

**Grupo di Preghiera Italiano** ogni Mercoledì al 1:30pm nel salone Fr. Zanon.

Quest'anno, ogni venerdì alle 10:30am, ci sarà un'ora di Adorazione in Italiano in chiesa.

Mercoledì delle ceneri, 26 Febbraio alle 3:00pm ci sarà la Messa in Italiano.

**RI TIRO QUARESIMALE** in Italiano, Sabato 21 Marzo dalle 8:30am alle 12:00pm nel salone Fr. Zanon. Tutti sono invitati di partecipare.

### AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

La FAMILIA MISIONERA invita a continuar nuestro caminar cristiano, participando en nuestras ORACIONES DE TODOS LOS MARTES a las 7:35 pm en el SALÓN SCALABRINI.

El MIÉRCOLES 5 de FEBRERO 2020 (7:45 pm – 9:00 pm) participaremos en el CURSO DE BIBLIA con el Rvdo. Padre José Plascencia, en el SALÓN SCALABRINI. Favor traer su Biblia y un cuaderno para tomar notas.

El JUEVES 6 de FEBRERO 2020 (8:00 pm – 8:30 pm) participaremos en la SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL.

El VIERNES 7 de FEBRERO 2020, y TODOS LOS VIERNES DEL AÑO 2020, ESTARÁ EXPUESTO el SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO EN EL TEMPLO de 8:00 am a 7:00 pm. Dedicuemos una hora para la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA INDIVIDUAL o por GRUPO. Favor anotar su nombre o el de su grupo en la lista que está colocada afuera de la oficina parroquial.

El VIERNES 7 de FEBRERO 2020, es el PRIMER VIERNES DEL MES. Por lo tanto, la RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA HISPANA invita a participar en la SANTA MISA (7:00 pm) seguida de la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA (7:30 pm).

### BLESSING OF THROATS.

As tradition, on Monday, February 3, 2020, Feast of St. Blasé there will be a blessing of the throats after each Mass.

**CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP** will meet on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am or 8:00pm in Zanon Hall.

### ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION.

On Tuesday, February 5, 2020 at 7:00pm a special course will be offered for ADULTS who want to join the Catholic Church or want to receive the sacrament of CONFIRMATION. If you are interested or know of someone who is interested, please call the parish office. You are still in time to register.

**SPECIAL EMERGENCY COLLECTION** for our Brothers and Sisters affected by the Volcano in the Philippines. The Filipino Community in our parish is mobilized to collect funds for the help of thousands of brothers and sisters affected by the TAAL VOLCAN in the Philippines. A special Collection will be made on February 9, 2020 at all the Masses in support of this drive.

**SENIORS' GROUP** Mass for the Anointing of the Sick sponsored by the Seniors' Group on Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. Everyone welcome. Potluck fellowship in Zanon Hall will immediately follow.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING.

As an ongoing formation program ALL the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are invited to a general meeting on Tuesday evening, February 11, 2020 at 7:00pm in Zanon Hall.

### PRE-CANA 2020

The parish is offering another course in preparation to the Sacrament of Marriage. These are the dates: February 12-14-19-21-26-28 at 7:00pm in Zanon Hall. All the couples contemplating marriage in 2020 are required to participate in a course of preparation, either in our parish or in other centers.

### MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION

On Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Mass we will have a special celebration of the MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES: 25-30-35-40-45-50-55-60 & 65. The Mass will be with renewal of Marriage Vows followed by a moment of sharing and a BIG CAKE for all in the Main Hall. Please call the office to let us know if you are going to participate.

**PANCAKE SUNDAY** served by our Young Adults in the Main Hall on Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup> after the 8:30am, 10:00am, and 11:30am Masses. Everyone is welcome.

**A GENERAL ASSEMBLY** for the whole parish will be called on Saturday, February 29, from 2:00pm to 5:00pm in the Main Hall. All GROUPS, ministers, volunteers are invited. More info to come.

### PARISH LENTEN MISSION

On March 12-13-14, 2020 in our parish we will have the Lenten Mission. Fr. Giuseppe Scollo, Vice Rector of St. Augustine Seminary will be our preacher. Thursday & Friday night at 7:00pm in Church, and Saturday, from 8:30am till 12:00noon in the Main Hall with a Lenten Retreat for all parishioners. Confessions will be available throughout the Mission.

### March Break Camp

The Youth Ministry in our parish is planning a YOUTH CAMP for the March Break.

Who: Grades 1-6 Time: 8:30AM to 3:30PM.  
Extended Care Available: 7:30am-4:30pm (\$5.00 per session).

Cost: \$ 100.00 for all 5 days or \$20.00 per day.

Register: <https://stcatherine.ca/youth/>

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